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IN RECENT YEARS NORTH KOREA AND ITS FRIENDS HAVE MOUNTED A MAJOR DIPLOMATIC CAMPAIGN -- ESPECIALLY IN THE SO-CALLED NON-ALIGNED FORUMS AND THE UNITED NATIONS -- TO ALTER THE INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS OF THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT WHICH ENDED HOSTILITIES IN KOREA 23 YEARS AGO AND HELPS TO KEEP THE PEACE TODAY. THEY INSIST UPON UNCONDITIONAL DISSOLUTION OF THE UNITED NATIONS COMMAND, WHICH, TOGETHER WITH NORTH KOREA AND CHINA, IS A SIGNATORY TO THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT. THEY HAVE GONE SO FAR AS TO CLAIM THAT IF THE COMMAND IS DISSOLVED, THE ARMISTICE AGREEMENT ITSELF WOULD CEASE TO EXIST. AT THE SAME TIME, NORTH KOREA DEMANDS THE UNILATERAL WITHDRAWAL OF AMERICAN FORCES FROM KOREA. THEY

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NORTH KOREA'S PROPOSALS ARE DESIGNED NOT TO PROMOTE PEACE BUT TO ISOLATE OUR ALLY, TO PRECIPITATE UNILATERAL AMERICAN WITHDRAWAL AND TO DISSOLVE THE EXISTING LEGAL ARRANGEMENTS INTO AMORPHOUS GENERAL NEGOTIATIONS.

THE UNITED STATES WILL NEVER ACCEPT SUCH PROPOSALS. NO NATION THAT TRULY BELIEVES IN PEACE SHOULD SUPPORT THEM; NO COUNTRY INTERESTED IN GENUINE NON-ALIGNMENT SHOULD LEND ITSELF TO SO ONE-SIDED AN APPROACH.

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